



2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Call Off Your Old Tired Ethics
Rhode Island

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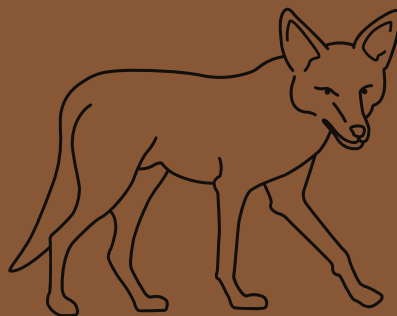
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PUBLICATIONS

Sex Worker Storytelling Podcast

Kayla Katt made 15 episodes of the Sexworker Storytelling Podcast, available on all podcast platforms.

Prostitution and Prostitution Related Charges in Rhode Island, 2000-2021

We analyzed tens of thousands of pages of public records, tracked quantitative data, and used a focus group to help us get the qualitative data right. The report is being updated as more public records are provided.

Community Based Participant Directed Research for Sex Work Policy

The ebook is almost done!

Policing Modern Day Slavery: Carceral Care in Rhode Island

MUTUAL AID

Outreach to 6 Cranston spas in response to spa raids conducted by Homeland Security

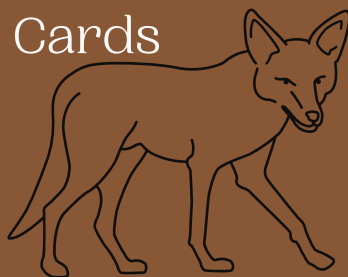
Distributed over 2000 condoms, and dozens of Naloxone kits

Mentor by Mail Program, to 65 incarcerated sex workers, provided case management in release planning and accessing re-entry planning, as well as support upon release, and sent out 150 Christmas Cards

COYOTE CLOSET- June through December, provided clothing, hygiene packages, and female hygiene to over 100 people living in poverty per month, at the Love and Compassion Health Day Center in Pawtucket

Provided \$7,315 to sex workers in crisis

Supported local sex worker who is being exploited



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PRESENTATIONS

Williams College

Women's, Gender & Sexuality Studies
Presented with Cris Sardina of Desiree
Alliance

Sex Is Part of Advancing Reproductive Rights and Justice

A Zoom Webinar

2021 Annual Trafficking & Social Justice Conference

Understanding The Experiences of
Sex Workers Within Continuum of Health
Care in the United States

2021 FREEHER Conference

Participatory Research Panel

Brown University Swearer Center

Collaborative Conversations About
Collaborative Work

Montefiore

Medical School

Social Medicine Immersion

Wellesley, Davis Museum College

Prison Nation

Brown University

French & Francophone
Studies

Womxn's Project

Sex Work & Stigma with
Jocelyn & Stacy



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MEDIA & INTERVIEWS

1. Uprise RI with Steve Ahlquist "Catching up with Coyote"
2. Published 12 COYOTE Monthly Newsletters
3. Soleil Eastern- Journalist Emerson.edu-
4. Roderick Graham- Old Dominion University zoom-interview
5. Harris Greenwood- Emery college
6. Isabella Kearns- Brown University
7. Sara Ruf (RISD) and Amber Ruf (Criminology Justice Studies.
University of Massachusetts)
8. Lisa Taylor-Lopez public policy Seattle
9. Izzy Witkos Skidmore College NY.
10. Morgan Benson Harvard University to discuss algorithms
11. Anna Hstalder, University of Denver
12. Lina Misitzis public radio @ St. Lawrence University (FOSTA)
13. May Jeong- Vanity fair
14. Hanna Adoueid from the Brown Advocate
15. Imaejen Ibanga producer AL Jazeera
16. Harvard Law School for case decriminalization debate (Pam Varley
& Patricia Garcia Rios)
17. Havard Law School- Law Research Request Zoe van Vlaanderen

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TRAININGS

Womxn's Project

Lobby Testifying Training

Butterfly Migrant Sex Workers

Training

RI United Way

Advocacy 101

Naloxone Training



Haymarket

Movement Building

Movement Ecology

Grantee Webinar



**The National Council for Incarcerated and
Formerly Incarcerated Women and Girls**

Liberation Project Training

COALITION AND MOVEMENT BUILDING

with

**National Council for Incarcerated and Formerly
Incarcerated Women and Girls**

- Weekly zoom calls preparing for launch of National FREEHER Clemency Events
 - Art build and weekly zooms with RI Coalition
- Bi-weekly zooms with North East Coalition
- Co-hosted 3-Day RI Clemency Campaign
 - 48hr Liberation Project Training
 - 6 Week Participatory Research Committee
 - Helped draft 2021 Re-Imagining Communities Report
- Participatory Research Panel at FREEHER 2021 Conference
- Bella will be a FreeHer 2022 Fellowship Facilitator.



MORE COALITION AND MOVEMENT BUILDING

1. Worked with Formerly Incarcerated Union RI to create two YouTube videos: “Conversations Amongst Precarious Women”
2. Three meetings with the US Sex worker Policy Coalition
3. Attended RED CANARY SONG training
4. Attended CSSJ Policing Asian Massage Work zoom
5. Attended Equity Discussion with RI United Way
6. Attended Protest in support of spa workers Old Mountain Fields in Wakefield, RI
7. Attended Miss Major URI event
8. Attended Boston Labor Book launch-our chapter “Organizing Under Criminalization” in the book Organizing for Power: Building a 21st Century Labor Movement in Boston
9. Attended Margo St James tribute event, Ramona created Margo’s Tribute Video
10. Attended SWOP Behind Bars Lunch & Learn zoom
11. Submitted research testimony & attended the Oregon Sex Workers Human Rights Commission
12. Attended Mockingbird Publishing’s 5th Annual Art Auction
13. Attended ACLU annual meeting_
14. Attended sex worker rights and the UN- Recommendation 86
15. Attended Amnesty International PVD- “Write for Rights” event
16. Attended Braver Angles National Debate: Prostitution or Sex Work
17. Joined the Womxns Project Steering Committee to advocate to pass the EACA



ARCHIVES: EDUCATIONAL & RESEARCH

1. We updated our material that is archived at the Pembroke Center for Teaching and Research on Women-Coyote RI Survey Collection.
2. On daily basis, we updated content on our website @ coyoteri.org.



ANNUAL EVENTS

1. On June 2nd, In honor of International Sex Workers Day, COYOTE recognized 5 awesome activists who have spent years advocating for sex workers and we awarded them each a \$100 Amazon gift card. Norma Jean Almodovar, Carol Leigh, Cris Sardina, Alex Andrews, and Miss Major Griffin-Grace.
2. International Day To End Violence Against Sex Workers
Virtual event was held on December 17th, 2021 from 7 to 10 pm. Our [2021 Memorial List](#) contained the names of 900 sex workers we have lost from 1836 to 2021. We also created a [Memorial Video](#).

POLICY WORK

We opposed:

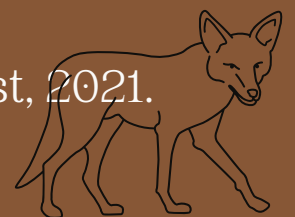
1. Senator Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) says he plans to reintroduce the EARN IT Act aka SESTA/FOSTA 2.0 in a few weeks. In its original form, EARN IT effectively allowed platforms and law enforcement to monitor private messages now protected by end-to-end encryption.
2. Stop Internet Sexual Exploitation Act, SISEA, the bipartisan bill by @SenSasse & @SenJeffMerkley that would purge porn from social media and devastate sex workers' income during a pandemic.
3. RI H5270 Creates the Human Trafficking Reporting and Prevention Act applicable to hotels, requiring them to educate their employees about identifying, reporting, and preventing human trafficking, on their premises. We succeeded in getting the bill amended so the hotels are only required to post trafficking posters in employee areas, rather than brainwash them with trafficking training that was never even provided to the House Corporations Committee.
4. We organized to oppose and we stopped Providence City Council from banning VIP rooms in strip clubs.



POLICY WORK

We supported:

1. RI H5749 /S0399 - would repeal the Municipal Detention Facility Corporations law and prohibit the operation of private detention facilities and private-public partnerships within the state.
2. RI H5291: No Cash Bail for Misdemeanors - The bill says that most people who are charged only with misdemeanors will not have to put up any money for bail.
3. RI S0249 and HB5467 Sexual Assault - This act would establish criteria for the criminal offense of sexual assault when the victim is in the custody of a peace officer.
4. RI H7618 and RI S267 (EACA) Equality in Abortion Coverage Act.
5. RI H5467 “Grants immunity to commercial sexual activity persons if they are victims/witnesses of crime”
6. RI SB771 Decriminalizes certain commercial sexual activity by making the buying or selling of sexual services a civil fine
7. H5250 House Resolution Creating A Special Legislative Commission To Study Ensuring Racial Equity And Optimizing Health And Safety Laws which passed in 2021. COYOTE now has a seat on this legislative study commission, which will meet once a month and report its recommendations back to the House by May 31st, 2021.





MONEY ALLOCATED IN 2021

35% Staff

30% Operations

13% Programs

11% Research

11% Mutual Aid

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